

## Message Text

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R 171315Z MAR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2173  
INFO AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN  
AMEMBASSY CARACAS  
AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN  
AMEMBASSY KINGSTON  
AMEMBASSY LONDON  
AMCONSUL BELIZE

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PEPT, BH, TD  
SUBJECT: MYSTERY SHROUDS PRICE VISIT.

REFERENCE: PORT OF SPAIN 822

1. BELIZE PREMIER GEORGE PRICE DEPARTED TRINIDAD  
MARCH 15 AFTER AN ALMOST INVISIBLE THREE-DAY VISIT.  
WE HAVE LEARNED THAT HE MET WITH FM DONALDSON FOR ABOUT  
TWO HOURS BUT HAVE NO INFORMATION ON THE SUBSTANCE OF  
THEIR TALKS OR ON ANY OTHER CALLS PRICE MAY HAVE MADE.  
NEITHER HE NOR THE GOTT ISSUED A STATEMENT ON THE VISIT.

2. THE MARCH 16 EXPRESS CARRIED THE ONLY POST-VISIT  
ARTICLE TO APPEAR THUS FAR, CALLING PRICE'S STAY "A  
MYSTERY." THE PAPER WAS UNABLE TO LEARN ANYTHING ABOUT  
THE BELIZEAN PREMIER'S ACTIVITIES WHILE IN TRINIDAD,  
REPORTING THAT HE HAD BEEN GIVEN TIGHT SECURITY AND  
HAD AVOIDED THE PRESS.

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3. COMMENT: WHATEVER THE GOTT'S MOTIVATION, ITS HANDLING  
OF THE SECRECY-SHROUDED PRICE VISIT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN  
BETTER DESIGNED TO AROUSE CURIOSITY AND SPECULATION AS  
TO WHAT ACTUALLY TOOK PLACE. WE WILL REPORT ANY FURTHER  
DETAILS ON THE VISIT IF AND AS THEY SURFACE.  
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## Message Attributes

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